#### STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

#### **BEFORE THE**

COUNTY OF BURLEIGH	SECURITIES COMMISSIONER
In the Matter of American Investment Services, Inc.  Respondents	ORDER TO REVOKE THE DEALER REGISTRATION OF AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC., AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING
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The North Dakota Securities Commissioner has conducted ar investigation into the above-captioned matter, and has reason to believe that:

- 1. Respondent, American Investment Services, Inc., is a securities dealer headquartered in Colorado, and previously headquartered in Illinois. For all times relevant to this matter, the firm was a registered dealer in the state of North Dakota.
- 2. On or around April 5, 2002, Respondent's registration as a dealer in the state of Vermont has been revoked.
- On or around June 3, 2002, Respondent's membership with the NASD was suspended.

- 5. The information set forth in paragraphs 2-3 above, if proven, constitutes sufficient grounds for the Commissioner to revoke respondents' dealer registration in the state of North Dakota pursuant to §10-04-11(1)(j) N.D.C.C.
- 6. The information set forth in paragraph 4 above, if proven, are sufficient grounds for the Commissioner to determine that Respondent has engaged in "dishonest or unethical practices" pursuant to §73-02-09-03 N.D.A.C.
- 7. If the Commissioner determines that there are sufficient grounds for the Commissioner to find that Respondent has engaged in a "device, scheme, or artifice to defraud" residents of North Dakota or has engaged in "dishonest or unethical practices", the Commissioner has the authority to revoke respondents' dealer registration in the state of North Dakota pursuant to §10-04-11(1)(a) and/or (c) N.D.C.C.
  - 8. The following order is necessary and proper and in the public interest.

## PROPOSED ORDER TO REVOKE THE DEALER REGISTRATION OF AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.

NOW THEREFORE, The North Dakota Securities Commissioner hereby Orders that, pursuant to the information outlined above, the Commissioner proposes to revoke the dealer registration of American Investment Services, Inc. pursuant to §§ 10-04-11 and 10-04-12 N.D.C.C. and to issue the Order to Revoke the Dealer Registration of American Investment Services, Inc. which is attached hereto.

### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST HEARING

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that pursuant to §10-04-12 N.D.C.C. you may request a hearing before the Securities Commissioner if such a request is made in writing WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS AFTER THE RECEIPT OF THIS ORDER. The respondent has the right to be represented by legal counsel at the hearing.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, witness my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2002.

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Karen J. Tyler, Securities Commissioner Office of the Securities Commissioner 600 East Boulevard Ave. State Capitol – Fifth Floor Bismarck, ND 58505-0510 (701) 328-2910

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In the Matter of American Investment

#### BEFORE THE

#### **COUNTY OF BURLEIGH**

#### **SECURITIES COMMISSIONER**

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On, June <u>17</u>, 2002, I deposited in the Central Mailing Bureau of the United States Post Office Department in the State Capitol in Bismarck, North Dakota, true and correct copies of the following document:

# PROPOSED ORDER TO REVOKE THE DEALER REGISTRATION OF AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC., AND NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING

A copy of the above document was securely enclosed in an envelope with postage prepaid, sent via Certified U. S. mail, return receipt requested, and addressed to each of the following:

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Timothy I. McDowell, Compliance Officer American Investment Services, Inc. 600 High Point Lane, Suite B. East Peoria, IL 61611

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To the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, the addresses given above are actual mailing addresses of the parties intended to be served.

Jacqui Ferderer

Subscribed and sworn to before me on June

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Diane B. G. Kambeitz, Notary Public

Burleigh County, North Dakota My commission expires: 4/25/06

DIANE B.G. KAMBEITZ
Burleigh County, State of North Dakota
My Commission Expires April 25, 2006
STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA
Notary Public Seal

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COUNTY OF BURLEIGH	SECURITIES COMMISSIONER
n the Matter of American Investment Services, Inc.	ORDER TO REVOKE THE DEALER REGISTRATION OF AMERICAN INVESTMENT
Respondents	) SERVICES, INC.,

The North Dakota Securities Commissioner, after a hearing, or after Respondent has been afforded the opportunity for a hearing, has determined that:

- 1. Respondent, American Investment Services, Inc., is a securities dealer headquartered in Colorado, and previously headquartered in Illinois. For all times relevant to this matter, the firm was a registered dealer in the state of North Dakota.
- 2. On or around April 5, 2002, Respondent's registration as a dealer in the state of Vermont has been revoked.
- 3. On or around June 3, 2002, Respondent's membership with the NASD was suspended.
- 4. As discussed more fully in the Commissioner's Order for Rescission and Notice of Right to Request a Hearing, issued by the Securities Commissioner on May 30, 2002, and the Commissioner's Order for Civil Penalty and Notice of Right to Request a Hearing, dated June \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2002, Respondent engaged in the sale of an unregistered security to a North Dakota resident in violation of section 10-04-04 N.D.C.C.

- 5. The information set forth in paragraphs 2-3 above, if proven, constitutes sufficient grounds for the Commissioner to revoke respondents' dealer registration in the state of North Dakota pursuant to §10-04-11(1)(j) N.D.C.C.
- 6. The information set forth in paragraph 4 above, if proven, are sufficient grounds for the Commissioner to determine that Respondent has engaged in "dishonest or unethical practices" pursuant to §73-02-09-03 N.D.A.C.
- 7. If the Commissioner determines that there are sufficient grounds for the Commissioner to find that Respondent has engaged in a "device, scheme, or artifice to defraud" residents of North Dakota or has engaged in "dishonest or unethical practices", the Commissioner has the authority to revoke respondents' dealer registration in the state of North Dakota pursuant to §10-04-11(1)(a) and/or (c) N.D.C.C.
  - 8. The following order is necessary and proper and in the public interest.

## ORDER TO REVOKE THE DEALER REGISTRATION OF AMERICAN INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.

NOW THEREFORE, The North Dakota Securities Commissioner hereby Orders that, pursuant to the information outlined above, the Commissioner hereby revokes the dealer registration of American Investment Services, Inc. pursuant to §§ 10-04-11 and 10-04-12 N.D.C.C.

IN TESTIMONY W	<b>HEREOF</b> , witness my hand and seal this day of
, 2002.	
(SEAL)	Karen J. Tyler, Securities Commissioner Office of the Securities Commissioner 600 East Boulevard Ave. State Capitol – Fifth Floor Bismarck, ND 58505-0510 (701) 328-2910